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Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by:
(GAE)

AN ACT CONCERNING BUYING FIRST FROM CONNECTICUT COMPANIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Not later than January 1,
2 2005, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development
3 shall develop a form to be used for the submission of product and
4 service information to the Department of Economic and Community
5 Development by any company having Connecticut as its principal
6 place of business. Such form shall include, but not be limited to,
7 provision for the submission of information relating to: (1) Any
8 product or service manufactured, developed, distributed, sold or
9 provided by such company for which the company seeks corporate
10 clients also having Connecticut as its principal place of business, (2) the
11 location and address of such company, (3) contact information,
12 including telephone number, facsimile number, electronic mail address
13 and web site address for such company, (4) product and service
14 history information, including, but limited to, the date of establishment
15 for such company, the size and capacity of such company, client
16 references and cost information relating to such product or service.

17 The department shall make such form available for submission by such
18 companies, in both printed and electronic format, not later than April
19 1, 2005.

20 (b) On or before April 1, 2005, and annually thereafter, the
21 commissioner shall cause advertisement of the ability of such
22 companies to submit such form to be published in a trade publication
23 having as its principal circulation Connecticut-based companies.

24 (c) On or before October 1, 2005, and annually thereafter, the
25 commissioner shall publish and update an indexed, user-friendly,
26 printed publication containing such information as described in
27 subsection (a) of this section. The commissioner shall make such
28 printed publication available to any company or person upon request.
29 The commissioner may charge a reasonable fee for such publication to
30 allay the cost of production and printing of such publication provided
31 such fee shall not exceed fifty dollars.

32 (d) On or before January 1, 2006, the commissioner shall make such
33 publication described in subsection (b) of this section available in
34 electronic format and accessible through the department's web site
35 address.

36 (e) The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with
37 chapter 54 of the general statutes, for the submission of information by
38 Connecticut-based companies pursuant to subsection (a) of this section
39 and the implementation of this section.

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| This act shall take effect as follows: | |
| Section 1 | <i>from passage</i> |

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a system by which Connecticut-based companies can learn of services and products offered and sold by other Connecticut-based companies in order to foster the purchase of such services and products from Connecticut-based companies.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]